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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6451 NOTE PREPARED: Nov 26, 2003

BILL NUMBER: HB 1292 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Mold Exposure Standards.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Hinkle BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill directs the State Department of Health to make recommendations to the Legislative Council regarding toxic mold exposure limits. The bill creates a task force to participate in developing the recommendations.

Effective Date: July 1, 2004.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill establishes the Mold Standards Task Force. The Task Force shall have three tasks: develop recommendations for mold exposure limits for certain indoor environments; mold identification guidelines for water damage or microbial volatile organic compounds in indoor environments; and submit a final report to the Legislative Services Agency. The estimated cost per meeting is between \$685 and \$760.

The Task Force consists of 11 lay members. Members of the Task Force are entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses and other incurred expenses. The expenses of the Task Force are to be paid from the budget of the State Department of Health. In addition, the State Department of Health is to provide staff support to the Task Force.

The State Department of Health should be able to absorb the expenses associated with this provision given its current budget. If not, this will be a new cost to the state.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: State Department of Health.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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